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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

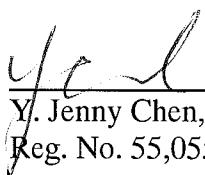
In response to the restriction requirement dated March 19, 2009, Applicant elects for prosecution the invention of Group 3, i.e., claims 9-20, drawn to an aptamer selection system comprising an antisense oligonucleotide and an oligonucleotide library.

As requested, Applicants further elect for consideration the following species: (i) an aptamer selection with a first primer binding domain and a second primer binding domain, (ii) an aptamer selection system with a first primer and a second primer, and (iii) an aptamer selection system with avidin coated agarose beads. Claims 9-20 encompass the elected species.

No fee is believed to be due. Please apply any charges to Deposit Account No. 50-4189, referencing Attorney Docket No. 77101-004US1.

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